



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**HEADQUARTERS, 1ST BATTALION, 13TH AVIATION REGIMENT**  
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MEMORANDUM FOR All 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment Personnel

SUBJECT: Commander's Safety Philosophy

1. Safety is everyone's responsibility. As such, we all play a role in safely executing our mission while taking care of our Soldiers, civilians, Family members and equipment.
2. Proper planning, situational awareness, and performing to standard are the backbone of our safety program. All Soldiers must display discipline, accountability, and professionalism in the execution of their missions. Accountability for actions is a key ingredient to enforcing safety standards and, ultimately, protects our force.
3. Deaths, injuries, and equipment damage have negative effects on our morale and our ability to accomplish our mission. On or off duty, we are all obligated to take care of each other, our Family members and our equipment. If you notice something that doesn't look, feel, or sound right, have the courage to make an "on the spot" correction. Your correction could be the very thing that saves a life, prevents an injury, or prevents equipment damage.
4. The 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment has adopted the 1AB Safety SOP as its own Safety SOP.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. M. Pierce", is positioned above the printed name.

STEVEN M. PIERCE  
LTC, AV  
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